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GAUGE CONVERSION IN TRIVANDRUM
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the work of gauge conversion between Kollam- Shengottai-Tenkasi rail section in Trivandrum has been completed;

(b) if not, the reasons therefore and the progress so far made on the project; and

(c) the time by which the work is likely to be completed?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI R. VELU)

(a) to (c): Gauge conversion of Kollam (Quilon)-Sengottai- Tenkasi is a part of Quilon-Tirunelveli-Tiruchendur and Tenkasi-Virudhunagar gauge conversion project. On this project, work on Virudhunagar-Tenkasi has already been completed and work on the remaining section is in various stages of progress. Work on Quilon-Punalur is targeted for completion during 2005-06 and the remaining section would be completed in the coming years as per availability of resources.